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TEACHING GOD'S WORD

1. Men are primarily what they have been taught to be: Doctor, carpenter, Buddhist or ~~some~~ *some religious body*
2. In many ways our land is one of secular enlightenment; yet of spiritual darkness.
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I. GOD HAS EXPECTED (COMMANDED) HIS PEOPLE TO TEACH:

1. Under the Law of Moses: Deut. 4:9-10; 6:4-9; 11:18
(We have a far better covenant than they)
2. During the prophets: Exra 7:10,25; Isa 54:13
3. During personal ministry of Christ:
Mt 5:1-2; Mt 7:28-29; Acts 1:1
4. After the resurrection of Christ:
Mt 28:18-20; Acts 5:42; 15:35
5. In our own age:
Eph 4:11--
2 Tim 2:2--Chain reaction
Heb 5:12
6. So, from the beginning, even to the present, man has been expected to teach God's word...

II. JEHOVAH TELLS US WHAT HE WANTS TAUGHT:

- A. Whatsoever Jesus commanded: Mt 17:5; Mt 28:18-20
1. The Word of the Lord--Jn 14:26; Acts 15:35
 2. The oracles of God--1 Pet 4:11
 3. Things becoming sound doctrine: Titus 2:1
 4. Things such as Timothy received from Paul:
1 Tim. 4:11-16; 2 Tim 2:2

B. NEGATIVELY: Not anything not commanded by Jesus:

1. Such as precepts of men--Mt 15:9
2. Fables--1 Tim 4:7; 2 Tim 4:3-4
3. A perverted gospel--Gal 1:6-10
4. Cannot go beyond--2 Jn 9

III. HOW ARE WE TO TEACH??

A. THE MANNER OF TEACHING:

1. With authority: Mt 7:28-29; Acts 1:8
2. Accurately and effectively: 2 Tim 2:15; 3:16-17
3. Continuously: 2 Tim 4:1-4; 1 Tim 4:13

B. METHODS AND PLACES OF TEACHING:

1. In the home--Eph 6:4; 2 Tim 3:15
First obligation, where it begins.
2. In private dwellings--Acts 18:7-8; 28:30-31
3. From house to house--Acts 5:42; 15:35; 20:20

4. In the marketplace--Acts 17:17 — RADIO
5. In places of worship--Acts 19:8; Acts 20:7
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IV. THE OBJECTIVE OF EFFECTIVE TEACHING:

1. That children might be properly trained--Eph 6:4
2. That people taught of God may learn and come to Christ--Jn 6:44-45
3. That "babes" at first requiring "milk" may come to be full grown men capable of discerning evil and good--1 Pet 2:1-2; Heb 5:14
4. That all may be built up unto "the inheritance among all them that are sanctified..."
Jas 1:21; Acts 20:32

V. INCREASING KNOWLEDGE IS NECESSARY TO GROWTH:

1. Natural world is full of suggestive texts upon the WORKS of God.
But better than a study of his WORKS is a study of his WORDS.
2. The will of God reveals the mind of God.
3. There must a hungering and thirsting after the Word of God.
Herein is FAITH PRODUCED. Rom 10:17

CONCLUSION:

1. Faith produces an appreciation of Jesus as the Christ, which leads to repentance, confession, obedience in baptism.
2. Nothing is so important as to "KNOW GOD"
But to "know God" one must "Know the Word of God"
Thus the responsibility to know and teach.....